

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-16, 24, 26, 27, 29-43, 51, 53, 54, 56-63 and 65-67 are pending in the present application. Claims 25, 28, 52, 55, 64 and 68 have been canceled by the present amendment.

The present amendment simply cancels claims 25, 28, 52, 55, 64 and 68. No other changes have been made. Therefore, it is respectfully requested a Supplemental Notice of Allowance be issued.

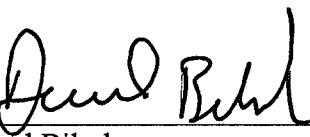
CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact David Bilodeau, Registration No. 42,325, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated:

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